



**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
KIVA CONFERENCE ROOM – CITY HALL
3939 N. DRINKWATER BOULEVARD
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251
OCTOBER 20, 2005**

SUMMARIZED STUDY SESSION MINUTES

PRESENT: Vice-Chair Brian Davis
Commissioner Michael Bruz
Commissioner David Hill
Commissioner William Howard
Commissioner Matthew Taunton

ABSENT: Chairman Mark Gilliland
Commissioner Kelly McCall

STAFF PRESENT: Rose Arballo, Transportation Commission Coordinator
Debra Astin, Transit Manager
Dave Meinhart, Transportation Planning and Transit Director
Paul Porell, Traffic Engineering Director

CALL TO ORDER

The Study Session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Davis at 5:25 p.m.

**QUESTIONS REGARDING TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA /
COMMENTS**

Streets Master Plan Amendment

Mr. Meinhart informed the meeting that the Applicant will present this item at the regular meeting.

Cactus Road Project

Mr. Meinhart reported that this item is on the agenda pursuant to a letter received from Ms. Susan Wood concerning the roundabout. Staff included background material in the packet.

Status of Current Major Transportation Projects

Mr. Meinhart noted that he will be presenting an update regarding the status of various major transportation projects. Discussion ensued.

COMMISSION RESPONSE TO SAFETY LETTER FROM BOB BISHOP

Mr. Porell noted receipt of a letter dated July 29, 2005 from Mr. Bob Bishop, which expressed concern about the levels of safety analysis currently being performed in the City, particularly with reference to Mountain View Road as it passes through Scottsdale Ranch.

Mr. Porell reported that information regarding a potential demonstration project for photo enforcement on the 101 is included in the packets. This issue will be considered by City Council at its October 25th meeting.

Vice-Chair Davis cautioned the Commission to be careful when using e-mail because of the Attorney General's recent opinion on the Arizona Open Meeting Law. Mr. Porell reported that staff from the City Attorney's office will make a presentation at a future Commission meeting.

Commissioner Taunton asked about the timing and announcement of road closings, particularly for utility projects. Mr. Porell acknowledged that recent road closures had been more disruptive than usual. Staff tries to avoid having multiple adjacent road closures at the same time. In the past it has sometimes been possible to adjust projects to achieve this.

Commissioner Bruz asked whether the City has experienced any problems getting contractors to bid on projects. Mr. Meinhart described recent experiences.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the Study Session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
AV-Tronics, Inc.

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